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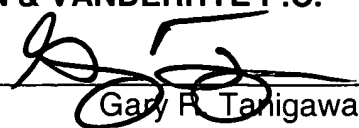
An Interview Summary was mailed on May 24, 2006 together with the Notice of Allowance. Applicants were given one month to file a statement of the substance of the interview.

Proposed amendments to the claims to place them in condition for allowance were discussed. The undersigned approved the Examiner's amendment of claims 3 and 16, and his cancellation of claims 31-34.

Respectfully submitted,

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